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## Middletown Directory.

### CORPORATION OFFICERS.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS.—E. W. Lockwood, President; J. R. Hall, Secretary; L. P. McDowell, J. H. Walker, L. G. Vandegrift.
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### CHURCHES.

FOREST PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. John Patton, D. D., Pastor. Divine service every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Lecture on Wednesdays at 7.30 p. m. Sunday School in the Chapel at Armstrong's every Sunday at 2.30 p. m.

ST. ANNE'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL.—Rev. Wm. C. Butler, Rector. Service on Sundays at 10.00 a. m. and 5.00 p. m. Sunday School at 9.00 a. m. Lecture on Fridays at 5 p. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Rev. L. C. Matlack, D. D., Pastor. Service every Sunday at 10.00 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m. Prayer Meeting on Thursdays at 7.30 p. m.

COLORED METHODIST.—Rev. N. Morris—Pastor. Service every other Sunday at 10.30 a. m.; 3 and 8 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 1 p. m.

### MASONIC.

ADONIRAM CHAPTER No. 5, R. A. M. Meets in Masonic Hall on the second and fourth Fridays of every month at 8 o'clock, p. m.

UNION LODGE No. 5, A. F. A. M. Meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 8 o'clock, p. m. Masonic Hall.

### KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

DAMON LODGE, No. 12 Meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Lodge room in the Town Hall.

### PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

PEACH BLOSSOM GRANGE, No. 3. Meets every Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Grange Room in the Knights of Pythias Hall.

### I. O. O. F.

GOOD SAMARITAN LODGE, No 9. Meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Lodge Room in Cochran Hall, No. 2, Cochran Square.

### BUILDING AND LOAN.

MIDDLETOWN B. & L. ASSOCIATION.—Samuel Penington, Pres.; A. G. Cox, Secretary. Meets on the first Thursday of every month at 8 o'clock, p. m.

MUTUAL LOAN ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLETOWN.—Jas. H. Scowdrick, Pres.; A. G. Cox, Secretary. Meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 8 o'clock, p. m.

### MIDDLETOWN LIBRARY AND READING-ROOM.

E W. Lockwood, Pres.; J. T. Budd, Sec'y; Rooms in TRANSCRIPT Building. Reading-Room open every day until 10 o'clock, p m. Liberally open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 3 o'clock to 5 p m.

### AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

PENINS. AGRICULTURAL AND POMOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.—Wm. R. Cochran, President; J. T. Budd, Secretary; Wm. R. Cochran, Chairman of Board of Managers. Annual Meeting third Saturday in January. Fair of 1875, October 6, 7 and 8.

### DIAMOND STATE BRASS BAND.

Meets for practice every Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

### POST OFFICE.

OFFICE HOURS.—Opens at 6 30 a m and closes at 9 p m every day except Sunday
Mails for the North close at 6.45 a m, and 3.00 p m.
Mail for the South closes at 10 a m.
Mails for Odessa close at 10.15 a m and 7.30 p m,
Mails for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton close at 10.15 a m.

### DELAWARE RAILROAD.

Passenger trains going North leave at 7.04 a m and 3.14 p m.; going South at 10.33 a m and 7.55 p m. Freight trains with passenger car attached, going North, leave at 7.45 p m; going South, at 6.28 a m.

### STAGE LINES.

Stage for Odessa, with U. S. Mail, leaves shortly after arrival of the 10.23 a m and 7.55 p m mail trains.

Stages for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton leave shortly after arrival of the 10.23 a m train.


### FURNITURE.

### UNDERTAKING.

### UPHOLSTERING.

The undersigned respectfully announces to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he has on hand a large and well selected stock of handsome and durable

**Walnut and Other Furniture,**

which he will sell very cheap for cash. Buying at wholesale cash rates he feels assured that he can sell as low as the same goods can be bought elsewhere. By buying of him purchasers will be saved the freight on their goods from the city.

He is also prepared to attend to

**Undertaking Work**

at short notice, and in a manner excelled by none. Persons wishing Metallic or Wooden Caskets or Cases will find it to their advantage to call on him. He has, also,

**TAYLOR & SON'S**

**Celebrated Corpse Preserver,**

The Corpse may be dressed in the finest fabrics and not be soiled, (and can be seen at all times) as nothing but dry cold air enters the Casket.

GEORGE W. WILSON,

Practical Cabinet Maker and Undertaker,

Feb1–12m Middletown Del.

### FOR SALE.

150 Cords of Oak and Maple WOOD, either in the woods or delivered in quantities to suit purchasers. Apply to JOHN A REYNOLDS,

Dec. 12–tf. Middletown, Del.


## Select Poetry.

### The Song of the Camp.

BY BAYARD TAYLOR.

[This poem is founded on a well-known incident in the Crimean war.]

"Give us a song," the soldiers cried,
The outer trenches guarding,
When the heated guns of the camp allied
Grew weary of bombarding.

The dark Redan, in silent scoff,
Lay, grim, and threatening, under;
And the tawny mouth of the Malakoff
No longer belched its thunder.

There was a pause. The guardsman said,
"We storm the forts to-morrow;
Sing while we may, another day
Will bring enough of sorrow."

They lay along the battery's side,
Below the smoking cannon—
Brave hearts from Severn and from Clyde,
And from the banks of Shannon.

They sang of love, and not of fame—
Forgot was Britain's glory;
Each recalled a different name,
But all sung "Annie Laurie."

Voice after voice caught up the song,
Until its tender passion
Rose, like an anthem, rich and strong—
Their battle eve confession.

Dear girl; her name he dared not speak;
Yet, as the song grew louder,
Something upon the soldier's cheek
Washed off the stains of powder.

Beyond the darkening ocean burned
The bloody sunset's embers,
While the Crimean valleys learned
How English love remembers.

And once again a fire of hell
Rained on the Russian quarters,
With stream of shot and burst of shell
And bellowing of the mortars.

An Irish Nora's eyes are dim,
For a singer dumb and gory;
And an English Mary mourns for him
Who sang of "Annie Laurie."

Ah! soldiers, to your honored rest
Your truth and valor bearing;
The bravest are the tenderest—
The loving are the daring!

### Extinct Characters.

The Richmond *Whig*, in describing some of the peculiarites which Virginia has lost, says:

Before the war Virginia was famous for a great number of marked and queer characters. They abounded throughout the State. Every city, every town, every county, and every neighborhood had them. They were worthy to adorn and illustrate comic almanacs. Not only were they queer in their dispositions, manners, notions, and talk, but they were queer in appearance. Eccentricity was expressed on every part of them. Many of them had such faces as are seen on old-fashioned door-knockers or umbrella-handles. If the whole number could have been taken in a group, they would have formed a collection that would have been the wonder of the world. Some had hooked noses, hollow cheeks, sharp eyes, and pointed chins. Some had noses like Bardolph, and mouths that could take in a whole dish at a mouthful if it was to their taste, just like the old Virginia country fire-places, that could take in a half-cord of wood at a time. Some were so fat that they might have sat for pictures of Falstaff. They "larded the lean earth as they walked." However variant in appearance, nearly all of them had two things in common—the love of liquor and the love of country. We put liquor first, because the inspirations of patriotism were generally the results of liquor. The writer has before him as he writes the picture of seven such characters that he once saw at a fish-fry—all living within a range of five miles. They were indeed a strange lot. Some of them had considerable property; others had none, but lived upon their friends. When they tired of one house they would go to another, and they went to no houses that did not furnish good grub and plenty of liquor.

But there were queer characters of a different sort, who cared nothing for high living—men who had some pet theory that they were everlastingly preaching up. Then there were the news-mongers, who would go to the country store, gather up all the news of the neighborhood, and start off to give it circulation. There were men who did nothing but fish all day along; others who spent their time in hunting squirrels and other varmints. There were people who went through a range of counties mending clocks, who abounded in gossip. The peddlers were universally distrusted, but as universally welcomed, for they had the very articles that were needed in every household, and that could not be procured at the neighboring store. Every neighborhood had its pet beggar, as well established as was Edie Ochiltree, "the King's bedesman."

Nearly all these odd characters have disappeared. In those good old times of which we speak almost everybody was well off, and society could afford to maintain a small army of these queer people, who afforded general amusement. They were like strolling players, going from place to place, and welcomed wherever they went.

Where are they now? It is the rarest thing to see one now-a-days. They have disappeared and no one can tell where they have gone. They certainly were not killed in the war, for they were non-combatants. Perhaps their accustomed grub failed them, and they died of starvation and broken hearts—"fracted and corroborate," as "Pistol" said of "Falstaff."

Such characters are the products of a plethora of prosperity, of the "canker of a long peace" In times of difficulty and poverty there is no place for them. War and trouble eradicate eccentricities, smooth down sinuosities, and reduce people to a common level. Those who cannot undergo the process of assimilation pass out of sight and die off. There is no room for them.

The time may come—we hope it will—when some of those characters may reappear. They break the monotony of life, and some of them are not only embellishments to society, but supports to it.

One character, higher than all the rest, stands out from the canvas—a character quite common a half century ago, rare just anterior to the war, and now extinct—that of the real old Virginian, the cock of the walk in his neighborhood, whose virtues were integrity, hard-heartedness, and love of State, and whose characteristic embellishments were a ruffled shirt, a gold-headed cane, a blue coat with brass buttons, and a buff waistcoat. Those respectable and influential old codgers were autocrats. They were generally magistrates, frequently members of "the Assembly," and were authority in all neighborhood and county matters. They had true grit, and would have died before they would have surrendered their "rights in the Territories." They believed in the resolutions of '98–99," drank the best brandies and wines, and "chawed" excellent tobacco. Their prejudices and opinions were immovable, and their self-reliance and self-respect were such that they would scarcely have deferred to kings. As politicians, they were as bitter as soot. Some were Whigs and some Democrats. The former read the Richmond *Whig* as they did their Bible, and believed every word it contained. The latter swore by the Richmond *Enquirer* as the great sheet anchor of the country. Those good, brave, hard-headed, hospitable old gentlemen have become extinct, like the mastodon and the dodo.

### A Plea for Religious Toleration.

The following is a characteristic incident in the life of Deacon Bolles, who was an eminent type of the age in which he lived, for personal and private worth, both as a man and Christian:

When the Baptists of Hartford began to hold public services an over-zealous member of Dr. Strong's society called upon him and asked him if he knew that John Bolles had started an opposition meeting.

"No," said he, "when, where?"

"Why, at the Court house."

Oh, yes, I know it," the Doctor carelessly replied; "but it's not an opposition meeting. They are Baptists, to be sure, but they preach the same doctrine that I do. You had better go and hear them."

"No," said the man, "I am Presbyterian."

"So am I," said Dr. Strong, "but that need not prevent us from wishing them well. You had better go."

"No," said the man with energy, "I shan't go near them. Dr. Strong, ain't you going to do something about it?"

"What?"

"Stop it, can't you?"

"My friend," said the Doctor, seriously, "John Bolles is a good man, and will surely go to Heaven. If you and I get there we shall meet him, and we had better, therefore, cultivate a pleasant acquaintance with him here.

HOW TO CHOSE COMPANIONS.—"By your leave sir," said the water rat to the kingfisher, "this is my house. And he sat in the doorway to prevent his entrance.

"Nay, but I want to come in," said the kingfisher. "I have paid you visits before, and why not now? Think how handsome I am, and how much my family is sought."

"You have been in before, sir; but to tell you the truth, that's the very reason I prefer keeping you out now, notwithstanding your high family and fine clothes. You have an awkward habit of eating fish and leaving your bones at my door. Now I don't want anything laid to me that I don't deserve, and, as I don't catch and eat fish, I won't have the credit of it; I consider no company worth having that takes away my character, however high in rank or fine in appearance."

HONESTY.—A sick man noticed his little daughter looking eagerly at some fruit at his bedside.

"You would not take them away from your poor sick papa, would you?" he asked.

She replied, hesitatingly. "No, I would not." Then she colored and added: "But, papa, I tell you a story when I say so."

### Obituaries.

It was Charles Lamb, who, when a child, walking with his sister through a church-yard, wished to know where all the naughty people were buried; and who, later in life, wrote the truism that if one-half of our departed ones could come out of their graves and read their epitaphs, they would not recognize themselves.

I am forcibly reminded of this when I walk through a cemetery, or read one of those obituaries which so few read and still fewer believe. When I see it stated in the *Spread Eagle Gazette* that the demise of Mrs. Brown is a public calamity—that she was the paragon of her sex, the amiability of whose disposition endeared her to every one who came within her charming influence—I straightway remember—I was her nearest neighbor, you know—that from morn till dewy eve her voice, pitched in the shrillest tenor, was borne to me by the gentle breezes in beration of her servants or children, and often of poor Brown himself. Nor do I forget the gush of tearful confidence, induced by too much Tom and Jerry, in which that individual told me as I led him an unwilling captive towards his Lares and Penates, that she was the one great torment of his life

When Mrs. Jinks read in that same obituary that Mrs. Brown had left a disconsolate husband and six interesting children to mourn her untimely loss, her nose took a sudden elevation, and she immediately said to her daughter:

"Very disconsolate indeed! Gallanting Susan Briggs home from meeting before his wife's tracks were cold, laughing and bowing; and if those children are interesting, everybody else's are angels I do not see why those newspaper folks cannot tell the truth."

And just there Mrs. Jinks struck the question centrally. Not that I would have the "newspaper folks" lay bare the representative Mrs. Brown's constitutional peculiarities, for when it comes to that, who shall throw the first stone? But it is this inflated style of obituary, this use of hyperbolical language, I protest against. The time-honored motto, *Nil nisi de mortuus bonum*, is but the exponent of a feeling which has its root in Christian charity—a sort of chivalrous sentiment which would seek to protect those who cannot protect themselves; very good in its place, very proper, yet, like everything else, liable to abuse. I would simply ask that most orthographic friend of the afflicted family, who writes an obituary voluntarily or does so because he is asked, after he has said all his own kindly feelings prompt, not to plunge into exaggerations to please the family. I trust, when I have shuffled off this mortal coil, that whatever virtues I may have set forth in my daily walk and conversation, may be kept for discussion among those who love me, and not held up for the admiration of an incredulous public, the sole effect of which will be to cause every sin of omission or commission of which I have been guilty during my whole life to be thoroughly aired by my enemies, and the obituary itself to be read by my friends with a tacit ignoring of its exaggerations, and a look which, being interpreted means, "I know better, but I won't say so—poor thing!"

### Moderately High Steppers.

A good joke is told of a wealthy New Yorker, with an eye for a good horse, who shortly after betaking himself to his summer residence on Long Island, in April last, was sitting on his piazza one fine morning, and noticing a pair of fine steppers that were being driven on the road in front of his house. The team consisted of a bay and a gray mare, and the driver was an unassuming, quiet, well-behaving young man. The New Yorker noticed them again on the following day, and was more than ever impressed with their style and graceful step, and he decided at once to buy them. Accordingly on the next day he stationed himself at his gate, and when the team came jogging by he signalled the driver to stop.

"That's a pretty fair team you drive," says he.

"Yes, they are moderately good steppers," was the response.

"Are they for sale?" asked the New Yorker.

"Well, yes; I would sell them," was the rather hesitating reply.

"Send them along down the road and back, so that I can see how they move," says New Yorker.

Up and down they went a few times, and at length the gentleman seemed satisfied and signalled the driver to pull up.

"I like them," said he, "pretty well, and will buy them if the price is not too high; what do you ask for them?"

"Sixty-five thousand dollars," was the reply, very coolly given.

The gentleman opened his eyes and mouth in astonishment, and Charley Green drove off with Lulu and Fleety Golddust at a 2:25 gait, leaving the old gentleman to wonder at the high prices of good, fair roadsters.

### A Fall of Ashes.

During the past winter attention was directed in Norway to the falling of dust from the atmosphere, which at first was supposed to be of meteoric origin; but Professor Kjerulf decided that it was more likely to have been disseminated from some active volcano. The precise source was unknown; but from the direction of the wind, and the known conditions, it was suspected that some volcano in Iceland was concerned. This surmise has been confirmed by the more recent advices from that country, which report a very remarkable series of volcanic phenomena, first commenced by earthquakes, then followed by an eruption accompaied by dust and ashes. On March 29 the fall of ashes was so excessive that it covered the eastern country-sides, Jokuldal especially, with a coat six inches in thickness, and all day, although it was bright and sunny, the people were in absolute "pitch" darkness. Fountains and rivulets were dammed by the ashes, and every mountain stream ran dark and muddy between banks covered with drifts of ashes. The farmers fled out of the ash-covered country-sides with their cattle, in search of pastures not yet destroyed by the scoriæ, but with what chance of saving their live stock does not appear. There is no calculating the extent of this calamity, nor its effect upon the habitable portions of Iceland, although from present appearances it threatens to be extremely widespread.

### How an American Lady Entertained a Queen.

Our fashionable readers will remember the beautiful Mrs. Hicks, whose wealth and attractions caused so much gossip at the national capital one winter. Well, this lady is to-day a distinguished feature in the fashionable world of London, and is followed, flattered, sought and sued in a way to startle one, for it is seldom an American lady, however accomplished, rich and beautiful, wins such success. It happened in this way; Mrs. Hicks arrived in London a few days in advance of the Queen of the Netherlands. She took for herself all the best rooms, did Mrs. Hicks, of the Clarridge Hotel, the aristocratic resort of this great social centre. Shortly after the Government notified the landlord that these same apartments had been selected for the Queen. The landlord informed Mrs. Hicks that he must have the rooms for royalty. Mrs. Hicks firmly but respectfully declined. She had engaged the rooms; she was in them they made her castle, and as an American woman she, too, was a sovereign. The vexed landlord was disturbed, he was excited. He would have torn his hair had he possessed any. As he was quite bald he appealed to the Government. Mrs. Hicks appealed to our Minister, her cousin. The vexed question became a question of State, and no end of diplomatic correspondence passed before a compromise was effected. It was arranged at last that the Queen should occupy the rooms as the guest of Mrs. Hicks. The Queen did so and was delighted with our fair countrywoman. Mrs. Hicks received her guest; was invited to court and court balls with her royal visitor; and now she is dined and wined and entertained in a way to endanger her constitution and many a male member of the nobility with an income and acres somewhat embarrassed looks longingly at the beautiful, accomplished, and wealthy American widow.

A DISTRESSED FARMER.—A western paper tells a story of a distressed agriculturist: 'A farmer dropped in here on Wednesday last, to pay his rent, putting on a long face to correspond with the times. On entering the house, he told the landlord that times being so hard, he could not raise all the money, and dashed a bundle of greenbacks on the table. 'There,' said he, 'that's all I can pay.' The money was taken up and counted by Mr. ———, the landlord, who said—'Why, this is twice as much as you owe. 'Dang me. Give it to me again,' said the farmer. 'I am dashed if I ain't took it out of the wrong pocket!'

A youth, who desired to know how to become rich, sent a shilling in answer to an advertisement, and received the following valuable recipe: 'Increase your receipts, and decrease your expenditures. Work eighteen hours a day, and live on hash and oatmeal gruel.'

The Inman Line Steamship, City of Berlin, arrived at Sandy Hook at 6:30 a. m., on Saturday, making the passage in seven days, eighteen hours, and two minutes, actual time, from Queenstown, being the fastest passage ever made across the Atlantic, either eastward or westward.

Dr. Nash reports a downward movement in corpses, fresh specimens hitherto valued at $50 being now worth but $30. It's time for a revival there.

### A Romantic Story.

In the old days, when the Indians and the white men were engaged in a constant warfare, the central region of New York witnessed such scenes as now only the extreme West ever beholds, there occurred, as all readers of history will remember, a terrible massacre at Syracuse. The settlers there were surprised in their sleep by a band of savages who completely overwhelmed them, killed the men and carried many of the younger women away with them as captives. Among those thus reserved for a fate far worse than death was a beautiful girl named Cathleen, the affianced bride of the famous hunter Ensinore. This man, Scotch by birth, had lived for years on the frontier, and was renowned alike for his skill in the chase and prowess in battle with the Indians. He was away on a hunting expedition when the massacre took place, and reaching home a few days afterward found only ruin and despair where he had thought to hold a wedding feast. Learning the fate of his bride he lost no time in attempting to rescue her, and following the trail of her captors, he at last discovered that they were encamped on a cliff overhanging Owasco lake. Disguising himself as an Indian, Ensinore, at the risk of his own life, made his way among the Iroquois, who were resting after their victorious expedition. He represented himself as belonging to a tribe of Southern Indians and soon had the freedom of the camp.

In this way he succeeded in seeing Cathleen, who he learned was to be wedded to one of the chiefs. Of course the lovers were not long in planning an escape, and one stormy night Ensinore contrived to release Cathleen from the wigwam where she was held prisoner and the two started to quit the camp. They were discovered, however, before they had gone far, and there was nothing for it but to yield or to fight. Resolved to sell his life and his bride dearly, Ensinore held a brief, fierce battle with the savages who first assailed him. He succeeded in driving them back for a few moments, and then he and Cathleen ran to the edge of the cliff, and preferring death together to the fate that awaited them if they were captured, hand in hand they leaped the precipice. It was a fearful plunge, but fortune was with them; they fell into the water unhurt, and swimming to Ensinore's boat, which was moored below, they made good their escape, favored by the darkness and the storm. It is in the memory of the bold hunter and his brave bride that this pretty village on the cliff bears the name of Ensinore.

### A. T. Stewart's Ten Thousand Dollar Carpet.

Among the many treasures owned by the "merchant prince" is a magnificent carpet, which was once intended to grace the halls of royalty, having been manufactured for the Emperor Napoleon. Its size is about forty feet square. The centre piece is the most prominent object, occupying nearly one-half of the whole area, represents a beautiful, oval-shaped picture set in a gold frame, and suitably hung, would at a distance be easily mistaken for an elegant painting.

This picture shows the harbor, castle and surrounding country of Marseilles, France. In the foreground one is charmed by the blue water and the stately ships at anchor; further back the harbor and ancient castle, rising grandly in its magnificent whiteness against the green foliage enveloping the base of the mountains which form the background, and lift their hoary heads into a blue sky, flaked with fleecy clouds. Napoleon's coat of arms surmounts the picture, and a Latin motto, wrought in gold on blue ribbon-like ground, lies half unrolled at the base.

Immediately surrounding the lovely picture, in a bed of rich brown, is a garland of beautiful flowers, much larger than natural size, but so brilliant and so delicately and accurately represented that it seems as if one might stoop and lift the petals one from another. Outside of this garland, and serving as a border to the carpet, is a wreath formed of overlapping oak leaves and acorns, also in natural colors, their various shades of green and brown blending in exquisite beauty.

It is quite impossible to give an idea of this wonderful fabric, which was made with the needles of poor women, who wrought it in sections and set it together, after the manner of the camel's hair shawls. Its texture is as delicate as a silken robe, and no painter could portray color or detail with greater skill. It actually cost $10,000 to make it. Mr. Stewart saw it at the Paris Exposition and purchased it as a novelty to exhibit to friends who visit his "up-town" store.

I could write down twenty cases wherein I wished God had done otherwise than he did, but which I now see, had I had my own will, would have led to extensive mischief. The life of a Christian is a life of parodoxes.—*Cecil.*

### An Honest Boy.

The story of a Cincinnati newsboy, who found a pocket-book, containing $100, and refunded it to the owner intact, reached Philadelphia in good season, and was productive of a considerable sensation among the street Arabs.

One small boy was so affected by it that he determined straightway to see that Cincinnati boy, and go seventeen or eighteen better. So he took another small boy into his confidence, and the test of probity of character was carried into effect.

Boy No. 2 dropped a well-padded pocket-book, which boy No. 1, following behind, picked up. Then, with a look on his face that would have done honor to Benjamin Franklin, the honest little fellow walked up to an old gentleman who was passing extended the pocket-book, with a trembling voice, exclaimed: "Take it, sir, it is yours, you dropped it just now. My mother and seven children are starving, but I cannot keep it, sir, for it don't belong to me."

The old gentleman looked at the boy, then pulled out his spectacles and adjusted them for better sight. He could not sufficiently admire the wan visage of that little street wanderer, illuminated as it was with a glow of goodness and honesty.

The old man patted the boy on the head, and pulling out a five dollar bill from his vest pocket, handed it to him saying: "Boy, you will grow to be a great man. Take this money for your starving family, and always remember that honesty is the best policy."

Then the old man hurried into the neatest lager beer saloon, and opened his pocket-book. Then he began to dance around and call Heaven and earth to witness that if he ever caught that boy again he would flay him alive. And he continued to orate until a policeman was called in to arrest him as a lunatic, and the only excuse he could offer for his conduct was that a small boy had robbed him of five dollars by giving him a pocket-book stuffed with old paper.

### Some One to Love.

Perhaps one of the most positive proofs we have of the soul's independence of the body, is our great need of love and something to love. Were we mere animals, creatures to perish after a few brief years of life in this world, that which contents the brute would also content us. To eat and sleep well, to have an easy time of it, would be enough. As it is, we may have all these things, and health to enjoy them, and yet be utterly wretched. Neither can mental food satisfy us. "Some one to love," is our heart's cry.

When the atmosphere of tenderness is about us, we rejoice; when people are harsh and unkind, we suffer. We begin life wishing to love everybody, and believe that they love us. Experience hardens us. Our dear ones grow fewer; but as long as reason lasts we must love some one; we must at least imagine that some one loves us. The parents, sisters and brothers, that dearest friend whom we promise to love and cherish until death parts us, these come into our lives and fill them up. Afterwards come the little children frail, helpless babies who need our care so much, and our friends to whom we are not kin, yet who grow dear to us.

Some have many loved ones, and some but one. Heaven help those who have none, though they are generally to blame for their empty-heartedness; for kindness will win love. They are always wretched, and they often show their craving for something to love by cherishing some dumb animal—a dog, a kitten, a parrot perhaps, on which they lavish caresses which, if better spent would have bound some human heart to theirs. Pride, or morbid sensitiveness, and these pets of theirs fill the aching void a little.

Some one to love! It is the cry of the human soul, the note to which every heart responds; the bond which will bring us all together in that other world, where mourners shall be comforted and Love shall reign forever.

AN EQUESTRIAN STATUE OF LEE.—The Governor, heads of departments, and other officers and employees of the State at the capitol, have signed a paper directing the auditor to retain one day's pay of theirs during the month of October, to be appropriated to a fund for erecting an equestrian statue of Lee. It is proposed to circulate a like paper among officers and employees of the city government. With proper efforts during the next four or five weeks it is not doubted that at least $50,000 in cash can be raised. The Ladies' Lee Memorial Association have already in their treasury about $12,000.—*Richmond (Va.) Dispatch.*

A poet in Coffeyville, Kansas, has produced the following statistical verse: "Should millions into millions multiplied be, with ten million times ten million more, 'twould scarcely express a millioneth of the grasshoppers that cross our door."

## Variegata.

Race and temperment go for much in influencing opinion.—*Lady Morgan.*

The Chinese are going to send 5000 yards of matting to the Centennial.

Women's eyes are very small things, but it takes good sized men to fill them

It is said that woman does to worry themselves and make other women unhappy.

The granaries of Kansas groan with plenty, and aid committees are things of the past.

English ladies have their monograms and cost of arms embroidered on their corsets.

A young woman exclaimed the other day, "I have exserted three times this summer."

India has a population of over 25,000,000, yet only 87,000 of the females know how to read and write.

Gounod, the composer, has been "talking about" a London lady, and now she has sued him for libel.

Richmond is getting rich. The penalties for profane swearing on Sunday are a source of big revenue.

An Indiana infant coughed up a brass padlock the other day. The rest of the tools are still in its chest

An Indianapolis man had his brains beaten out with a wrench. He must have suffered ex-screw-ciatingly.

Duncan, the bursted banker of New York, has a father. He lives in Scotland, and is only worth $8,000,000.

Iowa has a law which forbids a man to marry his stepdaughter, yet allows him to marry his mother-in-law.

The Journal of Health says, "Sleep whenever you can, anywhere you can get a chance; the want of the age is sleep."

Indiana has eighty females in her State Prison, and every one of them demands a box of face powder and a cotton rag.

The first medal Bismark ever received was for rescuing a drowning man. Yes, and he's been meddling ever since.

A New York tailor says that if all men would pay cash down for clothes, the tailors could knock thirty per cent off prices.

The Freedmen's Bank Commissioners think that a dividend can be declared for the unfortunate depositors by Christmas.

Garters worth fifty dollars a pair are said to be much in vogue now, but as yet none have been seen on our streets. —*Richmond Enq.*

It is said that Brigham Young has acquired the title of General, from having been called "Briggy dear," so often by his numerous wives.

In one part of Europe they are praying for dry weather, and in another for rain, convinced on either hand that the organization of nature is at fault.

A young girl in Chicago has been crazed by religious excitement, and persists in tossing off her clothes and running about the streets naked.

"For mid-summer what could be sweeter than a linen lawn?" asks an exchange; and some ladies will answer, "A croquet lawn."—*Norristown Herald.*

Old Brigham isn't as enterprising as he used to be, but he is evidently shrewder. Dr. Mary Walker has been in Salt Lake City two months, and is yet single.

The widow of George Trask, the anti-tobacco man, indignantly denies the imputation that her sons sit on the fence and chew the weed, or light cigars with their father's tracts

Betsey Carr, of Claremont, N. H., is deaf and dumb. With these wonderful qualifications for making a man happy, she has lived 184 years without marrying or being given in marriage.

The tailors and the modistes had better steer clear of Premier Steinberger's new kingdom. They make no clothes to speak of, but rejoice in a beautiful, intricate tenue, which they call Samoan breeches.

Chicago Tribune: Tennyson's "Queen Mary" contains one passage in which realism and suggestiveness are neatly blended. Mary, smelling Cranmer burning at the stake, calls down the pipe to the cook to shut the kitchen door or be more careful with the frying pan.

The Shah of Persia has expended $300,000 lately in "marrying off" one of his daughters. To prevent too great an emigration of our young men to that country, it may be well enough to state that she was a pet child, and that the Shah will not give anything to have the rest mated.

The Nevada ninnyhammer who has just buried his wife in a silver coffin has done a good deal of harm. Other women will now feel that nobody cares a farthing for them if they are not laid away in the same style, and they won't put up with any of your German silver coffins, either.

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## Local and State Affairs.

*Persons who are indebted to us, will confer a favor by calling and settling their accounts.*

**Items of Local Interest.**

The first Teachers' Institute under the new law, passed last winter, will be held in this town on the 28th, 29th and 30th of the present month.

The fruit drying house of Marsh & Brown, at Wyoming, is said to be the largest establishment of the kind in the State. Their capacity is 3,000 baskets per day.

John Tweed, of Mill Creek Hundred, well known to many in this vicinity, died at the residence of his son, Mansel Tweed, on Thursday of last week, in his 67th year.

The Newport and Stanton Episcopalians are going to hold a floral fair and festival and supper in their new church at Newport on the 11th, 12th and 13th of November.

Messrs. Wm. Homewood and John A. Reynolds, Jr., of Newark, are going West on Tuesday—their second trip—to purchase sheep, by order of Newark Grange, P. of H.

Wm. Green's wagon, with the last load of peaches, came through town on Monday, with a large limb of a peach tree fastened upright, at the rear of the wagon, filled with peaches.

The horse disease, which has prevailed with such fatal results in the vicinity for some weeks past, made its appearance in New Castle last week. The farmers are becoming alarmed.

Newark Grange, P. of H., held a floral and horticultural exhibition last week, at which there was a fine display of flowers, fruits, vegetables, fancy work, etc., etc. It was quite successful.

The Wilmington *Gazette*, for some two or three weeks past, has been pretty well filled with Sheriff sale advertisements, and on Monday last ten new ones were added to the number This looks unhealthy.

Sheriff Lambson made a levy on the personal property—pew cushions, organ, carpets, &c., of the West Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, last week, to satisfy a judgment obtained by the assignee of the McLear bankrupt estate.

## A TERRIBLE FALL.

**Two Wilmington Trapeze Performers Fall a Distance of Thirty Feet.**

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings last Willard & Cressee's variety combination were to give a performance under the auspices of Damon Lodge No 12, K. of P. As soon as the crowd from the fair grounds reached the centre of the town, Messrs. Gookin & Fisher, aerial performers on the trapeze made their appearance in the street oppcsite the Town Hall, climbed to the trapeze and commenced their performance. The rope to which the trapeze was attached extended from a large sycamore tree in the Middletown Hotel yard to some rafters in the cupola of the hall, and was about one inch in circumference, and had been used to some extent previously. After a number of acts had been gone through with by which great stress was put upon the long rope, Gookin and Fisher were resting on the bar. Shortly after a move was made by them when the rope snapped suddenly near the Hall roof and the two performers fell heavily together to the ground while the large crowd that was watching became very much excited and ran in all directions. Fisher got up immediately and Gookin shortly afterward and both walked a short distance, but from injury and excitement were compelled to lie down near by. Gookin was carried to the Hall, and on being examined by Dr. McKee, was found to be more seriously hurt in the left hip than elsewhere, although his whole form was jarred badly and rendered his limbs stiff. Fisher was bruised in his legs and received a cut over the left eye, and was taken to Anderson's drug store and his wounds dressed by Dr. Barr. Gookin expressed himself as being confident that he could continue his performance on the horizontal bar in the Hall, but neither of them were able to leave their room. Fisher is well known as the third base player in the celebrated amateur Quickstep base ball club in Wilmington, and he was to have played with his club on Thursday against the Athletics. No doubt the news created considerable commotion in base ball circles in Wilmington, for Fisher is one of the best players the Quicksteps have. Both of the injured men were put in bed, and remained there most of the next day, and were unable to take part in the second evening's entertainment. The sympathy expressed by some citizens of this town would not conveniently fill the heart of a mouse, and if ever there is an occasion for some to be shown them it should be rejected harshly.

ANOTHER FALL FROM A TRAPEZE IN THE HALL.

As the performance on a trapeze by Thomas Guthrie, one of Willard & Cresse's Troupe, was in progress Wednesday evening another accident occurred, in which it seems almost impossible that the actor escaped instant death. The fall of Gookin and Fisher excited Guthrie, and when he went on the trapeze he was awful nervous and doubtful in himself. Fate was against these on the trapeze that evening, and to avoid it was impossible. Guthrie had gone through with several evolutions and other acts and was preparing to make his "leap for life." The trapeze was standing still and Guthrie made a move backwards intending to catch the rope with his feet and slide down to the bar and then swing himself in the air and light on a bed lying on the floor. But Guthrie was too nervous and so missed the rope and fell headlong to the Hall floor, the audience stifling a cry of terror. Scarcely a moment elapsed before the performer was on his feet, and springing on the stage made a bow and went behind the curtain. It was ascertained that a finger was broken and one wrist sprained, but beside this no other injury was visible, and Guthrie soon went to bed, leaving the troupe in a disabled condition to continue their performance on the next evening. These accidents have been a subject of much conversation, intermingled with some sympathy.

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# The Agricultural Fair

## A GRAND SUCCESS.

## Immense Attendance.

### INTERESTING RACES.

The Second Annual Exhibition of the Peninsula Agricultural & Pomological Association was held on their handsome fair grounds near Middletown this week, beginning on Wednesday and closing on Friday evening. The want of sufficient and proper accommodations which was so seriously felt last year had been to a great extent relieved, by the erection, during the past summer, of new buildings of ample capacity, it was thought, to display all the various articles that should be brought to the fair. These additions and improvements have already been fully described in the TRANSCRIPT, and need no further mention.

The office of the Secretary was open all day Tuesday for the reception of articles for the different departments, and that functionary and his assistants were kept busy as bees entering, upon the association's books, the record of entries and issuing tickets of deposit. Even at this early hour it soon became evident that the display would be larger and finer than that of last year. All day Tuesday and Wednesday goods of every kind and for every department poured in, and by Wednesday noon, the hour for closing the entry books, it was found that the number of tickets issued to depositors surpassed that of a year ago by more than double, despite the threatening appearance of the weather which doubtless deterred many who would otherwise have put in an appearance. Beginning with a heavy mist, the weather was cloudy and lowering on Wednesday, with every indication of rain. From this, and because they feared it might be so, many supposed that the attendance was much smaller than on the first day last year, but when the money taken at the gates and the tickets sold came to be counted up at night they were found to be about one-third more than those of last year, proving the attendance *superior* to that of the opening day a year ago.

The first day was spent in receiving and arranging articles and animals for exhibition. The officers and members of committees were kept busy from morning to night—called hither and thither; now to point out the proper place for an article or an animal; now to explain a misunderstanding. Messengers were flying from post to post, and carriages were dashing in and out, to the grounds and back to town again—all were busy—so that strangers thought "everybody in Middletown was in a hurry."

THE LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

So rapidly did the Ladies' Department fill up that it soon became evident that the new building which had been erected and which was thought would be fully large enough to hold all that would be brought to it, was much too small. One lady alone put on exhibition two hundred different articles. The display in this department was simply splendid. Elegant quilts, counterpanes, tidies, mats, chair covers, shawls, sontags; crochet and needle work of every description; wax flowers and fruits; natural flowers, both cultivated and wild; preserved, canned and pickled fruits and vegetables in endless variety; cakes, biscuits, bread, splendid looking butter; pies, jellies, custards, etc., etc.,—all the work of fair hands, showing to splendid advantage the industry and skill of the ladies of the Peninsula. The man who could pass through that building and witness the beauty there displayed and not feel his heart warm within him, and feel proud of the women of the Delaware and Maryland Peninsula would be fit for nothing but "treason, strategy and spoils," and hardly that. And here, where it would be impossible to mention all and almost unjust to make special note of any where all so well merit it, we may be pardoned for speaking of the handsome display of perfumes, chemicals and fancy articles and notions by Mr. Clarence Anderson, the enterprising druggist of Middletown. Beautifully arranged and placed at the main entrance of the building his miniature store was a centre of attraction, while the genial proprietor generously dispensed the sweetest perfumes to his lady visitors from a little fountain devoted to the purpose. All honor to our ladies!

THE VEGETABLE DEPARTMENT.

In the rear of the Ladies' Department stands the building used by them last year. In this were deposited a large quantity of fruit, vegetables and poultry that would be hard to excel—and not easy to equal. The display of products from the experimental farm of Delaware College (Agricultural Department) was quite a large one and very fine. Among other articles were five mammoth California squashes, the lightest of which weighed 65 pounds and the heaviest 100. These five, with two more, little smaller, were all grown upon *one vine*. In addition to these were some splendid pears, grapes, apples, and other fruits and a host of excellent vegetables which it is impossible in our limited space to enumerate. There was also, from this farm, a coop of magnificent bronze turkies—two gobblers and one hen. One of the former, three years old, weighed 35 lbs., and the other, one year old, weighed 30 lbs.; the largest of the hens weighed 17 lbs. Besides these, were some Southdown sheep and Berkshire and Chester White pigs; also some cotton and tobacco grown upon the farm. These things were all under charge of Prof. E. D. Porter. There were 37 varieties of vegetables, 15 of grapes, 9 of apples, 9 of pears, besides the live stock we have mentioned We have devoted so much space to these goods to show to our readers what is being done at Newark, and what is being taught the sons of Peninsula farmers at Delaware College in the line of practical agriculture.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

The next place to be visited was the department set apart for the exhibition of Agricultural Machinery. To persons with mechanical tastes the display here was exceedingly interesting. At the west end were arranged Grain and Phosphate Drills, one the "Delaware," manufactured by Messrs. D. Woodall & Co., of Middletown, and another by Messrs. Harper & Baker, of Dover, each setting forth its claims of superiority for the farmer's use. Next came cider mills, grain fans, plows, cultivators, harrows, reaping, mowing and threshing machines; one reaping machine, the invention of our townsman, Mr. Albert Pennington, being a self-raker and working on a different principle from any other yet invented, the draught being lighter than in other machines. A threshing machine and cleaner run by a small but powerful engine attached much attention. Some splendid carriages were also on exhibition.

STOCK DEPARTMENT.

Next in order came the stalls for horses, cattle, sheep and swine. Of these we can say but little, as our duties as an official of the Association would not permit an examination, and indeed scare more than a passing glance. We only know that there was a large number of fine animals on exhibition.

We come now to the races, or

THE TRIALS OF SPEED.

At two o'clock, the day's races commenced with C. C. Churchman, R. T. Cochran and G. F. Brady as judges, and J. B. Cazier and Columbus Watkins as time keepers.

The first race, free for 4 year olds and under, was for a purse of $100; first $60, second $30, third $10, 2 in 3 to harness. There were five entries and but two started, Black Douglas and Lady Harrington. The former had the lead on the start, and kept it for the first half mile when Lady Harrington gained on him and passed above this point and kept the lead, winning the heat in 2:52½.

*Second Heat.*—A good start, Black Douglas again taking the lead; Lady Harrington soon closed the distance between and passed Black Douglas at the three-quarter pole, and she was again passed at the grand stand; but on second turn Lady Harrington took the lead and won the heat and race in 2:54½.

THE SECOND RACE.

The second race was for horses with no better record than three minutes. Purse $150; first $80, second $50, third $20; 3 in 5 to harness. In this race six entries were made, and all started, after considerable bad scoring and judges fining driver of Lady Burgett $500. Lady Burgett went ahead and Dixie passed her near the three-quarter pole and kept the lead, when on the last half mile the six horses were at equal distances apart, but came together gradually and came in in the following order: Dixie first, Lady Burgett second, Rob Roy third, Sis fourth, Telegraph distanced. Time 2:45.

*Second Heat.*—A very good start and Dixie took the lead which he kept, Lady Burgett a length behind until the three-quarter pole was passed, when Sis gained rapidly and on the home-stretch a very close race took place between them, but Sis got ahead and came in second amid loud cheering. Time 2:43½.

*Third Heat.*—Lady Burgett took the lead to the second turn, when Dixie closed the gap and came alongside at the third turn. In the meantime Sis broke badly and let Rob Roy go ahead. A beautiful trot was witnessed between Lady B. and Dixie on the first half, but Dixie took and kept the lead and won the heat and race easily in 2:40. Sis was distanced.

This closed the day's races, and, as the weather grew much colder, the crowd immediately left the ground, anxious for the next to come, when three races will be trotted, one being in the 2:40 class.

With the races closed the first day, and people began hurrying to their homes, many with sad forebodings of bad weather on the morrow and a spoiling of the fair.

THURSDAY.

Though a little shower fell at an early hour in the morning the sun rose clear and soon dispelled the clouds and with them all fears of rain. Then began the rush to the fair grounds. The road was lined with carriages as they streamed in an almost unbroken procession to the one grand rendezvous, while hundreds of persons found their way thither on foot. When the hour arrived for opening, the grounds presented a magnificent appearance. Everything was passing off finely and everybody was happy.

The Diamond State Band, Middletown's musical pride, were filling the air with strains of the most enlivening and stirring music, crowds of ladies, gentlemen and children in holiday attire, flocked to the grand stand and long before the hour for the horses to start every available seat and standing space in the large building was occupied. From the centre of the circle the view was magnificent—the seats of the stand, rising one above another to the roof, and filled to their utmost capacity with ladies and gentlemen, long rows of carriages stretching along the sides of the track, crows of expectant men and boys gathered around the judges stand, the horses spirited and excited over the coming race, all combined formed a picture worthy the pencil of the most skilful artist. At half-past one o'clock Chief Judge Churchman tapped his big bell to call the horses to their work, and the sport commenced.

## SECOND DAY.

FIRST RACE.

The first race was called at two o'clock, which was for a purse of $150, first $70, second $40 and third $25, fourth $15, 3 in 5 to harness, free for all horses with no better record than 3:30. There were nine entries and six to start. In scoring, Arab's driver turned suddenly and partially upset and threw him out, but the sulkey came up all right, and the driver escaped unhurt seemingly, and the horse started in a run, which he kept up for 2½ miles, when A. S. Pennington took off his coat and ran in front of Arab waving it, thus stopping him. Shortly after the race continued.

*First Heat.*—After scoring four times the word "go" was given. Sis took the lead which she kept to the half-mile, with Billy Boulden second. These positions were kept on last half-mile, and when the grand stand was passed, Sis was in first, Billy Boulden second and Daisy third. Time 2:46½.

*Second Heat.*—Billy Boulden took the lead, but Sis went ahead at second turn and kept the lead on first half, with the other horses trotting elegantly; in the last half, Sis kept the lead, and Rob Roy passed Billy Boulden and Daisy by fine trotting and came in second, Daisy third and Sis first. Time 2:53.

*Third Heat.*—With a good start Sis took the lead and kept it on first half, with Daisy second. On the half-mile Sis kept the lead, while Billy Boulden passed Daisy and so they came in, Sis winning the heat and race in 2:52, Billy Boulden second, Daisy third, Rob Roy fourth.

SECOND RACE.

The second was a subscription of $50, first $20, second $15, third $10, fourth $5, 3 in 5 to harness. There were seven entries and three started.

*First Heat.*—Dexter was ahead on the start, but Lizzie closed in and passed him, on the second turn Dexter again got ahead, and kept his position the first half, but broke on the first turn in the last half, when Lizzie again went ahead and kept her place, winning the heat in 3:06½. Dexter and Bob came in neck and neck.

*Second Heat.*—This was exciting, Lizzie took the lead and kept it to the third turn in the last half, when Dexter gained rapidly on her; at the last turn Dexter came alongside of Lizzie, and the two came down the home stretch, and passed the wire neck and neck in 3:01½. Dead heat.

*Third Heat,*—Lizzie went ahead and kept the lead, passing the first half, with Dexter second; the two kept this position until the third turn was reached, when Dexter made a bad break, but came in second; Lizzie first. Time 2:59.

*Fourth Heat.*—Lizzie went ahead at first turn and kept the lead on the first half-mile, with Bob close up to her; Lizzie kept the lead, and Bob came down the homestretch with a fair prospect of coming in second, but broke near the grand stand, when Dexter passed him. Lizzie won the race and heat in 2:59. This race was acknowledged to be the most interesting of the day, as the horses were so nearly matched, and most of the time trotted beautifully.

THIRD RACE,

Which was for a purse of $400, first $240, second $120, third $40, 3 in 5 to harness, free for all horses having no better record than 2:40; four entries, three started.

*First Heat.*—Modoc's driver protested against Dixie, claiming that he had a better record than 2:40, but no proof being given the judges continued the race, when Dixie took the lead and kept it on the first half, and came in on the homestretch ahead, winning the heat in 2:43½; Modoc second.

*Second Heat.*—Dixie went ahead and so kept until the three-quarter pole was passed, when Modoc came along side and the two came in on the homestretch nearly neck and neck, but Dixie won the heat in 2:37. Keystone Patchen distanced.

*Third Heat.*—With a splendid start Dixie took the lead, Modoc just back of Dixie, and on the homestretch tried to get ahead, but was not successful, for Dixie won the heat and race in 2:38½, amid the loudest applause.

Thus ended the second day, and when the nightly review was made, it was found that the attendance, and receipts, were far ahead of last year's.

Among the hosts of others whom it was a pleasure to see upon the grounds were his excellency the Governor, ex-Governor Wm. H. Ross, whom we were glad to see looking as fresh and hearty as when we first met him in years gone by in festive scenes in other lands. Senator Saulsbury, State Treas. T. B. Giles, Chas. Beasten, ex-President of the Association, Hon. T. F. Bayard, Hon. Jas. Williams, Hon. C. C. Stockley, Speaker of the Senate, Hon. B. T. Biggs, with his long flowing gray locks, I. C. Grubb, Esq., Secretary of State, and many others.

## THIRD DAY.

FIRST RACE.

There were six entries in this race and all started. Purse of $50; first $30, second $15, third $5; horses to go to road wagons, owners to drive, 3 in 5 to harness.

*First Heat.*—Lizzie took the lead, with Marydel second on first turn, the other horses kept loosing, and on the last half mile Lizzie came in ahead, Marydel second, Arab, Rockland Boy, Ned and Jennie Moore being distanced. Time 2:59.

*Second Heat.*—Lizzie took the lead, which she kept, with Marydel close behind; a bad break in Marydel let Lizzie ahead, but Marydel again closed the gap, and came in second. Time 3:06½. This closed the race.

SECOND RACE.

In this race four horses were entered and two started. Purse $200—first 120, second 60, third 20; free for all horses owned on the peninsula with no better record than 2:45

*First Heat*—Gypsey Maid took the lead with Stonewall hugging her wheels; Gypsey Maid kept the lead and won the heat in 2:56¾

*Second Heat*—Gypsey Maid was a little ahead on the start, and maintained this position to the third turn, when Stonewall went nearly alongside and the two came in on first half nearly even; on next half Stonewall pushed Gypsey Maid close and the two came in on the home-streteh nearly neck and neck, Gypsey Maid ahead. Time, 2:47¼

*Third Heat*—A good start, and the horses kept side by side to the second turn, when Stonewall took the lead and kept it on first half and to second turn on last half, when Gypsey Maid went up and at last turn came alongside and finally won the heat and race in 2.53½

THIRD RACE.

Four horses entered, and three started. Purse $500, first $300, second $150, third $50; 3 in 5 to harness; free for all horses that have no better record than 2:34.

*First Heat.*—With an excellent start, Dixie went ahead at first turn and kept the lead, with Andy Johnson close behind, the latter broke and Dixie went three lengths ahead, and they passed over the first half in this style. On next half Dixie maintained the lead and came in in 2:36½; Andy Johnson second, Modoc third.

*Second Heat.*—With an excellent start Dixie and Andy Johnson kept alongside of each other to second turn, when Dixie went ahead and kept the lead, coming in ahead on first half; Andy then went alongside Dixie and the two had a fine trot on the last half, but Dixie won the heat in 2:37; Modoc close upon the others.

*Third Heat.*—With Andy Johnson two lengths ahead the word was given to go. Andy kept the lead with Dixie close to him to the first half; this continued up to the third turn when Dixie spurted ahead and won the heat and race in 2:35½.

This closed the sport, and with it ended the exhibition of 1875. The attendance the last day was very large. From every direction people had flocked to the fair, so that it was estimated on a count of tickets, &c., that there were between 5000 and 6000 persons present. The receipts, during the three days were very gratifying being much in access of those of last year. By another year some additional improvements will be made, and the managers hope to be better prepared for the fair of 1876.

**Middletown and Vicinity Items.**

BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER.

The St. James combination, a minstrel troupe, gave a performance in the Town Hall last night.

All of the hotels and boarding houses in Middletown have been more than full and a great many were compelled to seek board and shelter in private families, while a *few*, becoming weary by the wayside, took beds on the sidewalks and in the gutters.

There were five daily and four weekly papers represented at the fair. Most of the reporters complained of the accommodations made for them. It was very properly suggested that the reporters' stand be placed in the second story of the grand stand, as is the usual custom.

The two entertainments given in the Town Hall on Wednesday and Thursday evenings last for the benefit of Damon Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of this town, were attended by very fair audiences. On each evening the performance was very fair, and fell short of the programme only on account of the accident to the three performers on the trapeze. On Friday morning another accident occurred to one of the troupe. He was taking down a trapeze hook at the time, when the ladder he was standing on gave way and he fell to the floor, sustaining but slight bruises, however.

*Two Pleasant Entertainments.*—On Monday evening last the officers of Delmarvia Manufacturing Company gave an oyster supper, which was largely attended by the representative preach growers of the vicinity. Five barrels af Crisfield oysters were successively placed in the large boiler, used in the building for steaming corn, and baked to a delicious flavor, when they were opened and rashly consumed by the hungry party present, being highly relished. The evening continued to be interesting until night and morning set in, when the party dispersed, thanking the officers for the pleasure had during the time they were in the factory.

On Tuesday evening an entertainment was given to the employes of the establishment, numberieg one hundred and twenty. Many outsiders were present, including a representative of the TRANSCRIPT. Price's band was present and furnished excellent music to those who preferred the dance. A table containing refreshments had been arranged, and at 11 o'clock the party made an attack on it, and consumed grapes, cake, peaches, pears and ice cream with haste. The affair was very pleasant, made so by Col. Meade and Mr. Suydam and others.

**Steamer Sunk.**

The steamer "George Law," plying between Baltimore and Chestertown as a passenger and freight boat, sank in Chester river on Thursday last. No lives were lost.

**Attorney at Law.**

Capt. J. M. Barr, as will be seen by advertisement in another column, will hereafter devote his entire attention to the Law business in our town, and will thus offer an opportunity for our citizens to save the time, trouble and expense of seeking elsewhere.

**A Long Drive.**

A boy drove through this town about two weeks ago on his way to Princess Anne, Somerset county, Md. He had driven from Danbury, Connecticut. He went to see his grandmother there and she gave him a horse, buggy and harness. He rode all the way home in it, nearly 350 miles, accomplishing the journey leisurely in 7½ days. He is the son of Dr. Chapman, of Princess Anne.

**Pocket Book Stolen.**

Mr. B. B. Price, of Cecilton, had his pocket book stolen from an inside pocket while on the fair grounds Wednesday evening. Mr. Price was leaning against the fence watching the races, and it is supposed the thief saw the pocket book protruding from Mr. Price's pocket and quietly took it. Mr. Price's loss in cash was between $50 and $60, and besides this a note valued at $259, upon which payment has been stopped at the Elkton National Bank. See advertisement.


## Green's August Flower.

It is natural for people suffering with Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint or any derangement of the digestive organs, such as Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, Habitual Costiveness, Palpitation of the Heart, Heartburn, Water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the Stomach, Yellow Skin, Coated Tongue, and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, &c., to put off from day to day buying an article that they know has cured their neighbor, friend, or relative, yet they have no faith in it until it is too late. But if you will go to your druggist, Chamberlaine, Middletown, or H. P. Baker, Odessa, and get a bottle of GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER your immediate cure is as certain as you live. Sample bottles of this medicine can be obtained for 10 cents to try its superior virtue. Regular size 75 cents. Try it, two doses will relieve any case.

## Business Locals.

1,500 yards Hamburg Edgings, at W. H. MOORE & CO.'S, very cheap.

If you want a pair of good Shop-Made Boots, go to W. H. MOORE & CO.'S. Every pair warranted.

A very handsome line of Shawls, at W. H. MOORE & CO.'S.

NOTICE TO TAXABLES.

The town tax and the school tax for district No. 94, are now some months overdue, and persons liable to tax are requested to settle without further delay.

Sept. 19th. JOSEPH HANSON.

The best yard wide 12½ cents Bleached Muslin, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

An entirely new and fine assortment of Toilet and Fancy articles at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE (Barr's old stand.)

Mason's Porcelain-Lined and Gem Fruit Jars in pints, quarts and half gallons, and Tin Cement. Cans by the gross or dozen. Porcelain-Lined Kettles, from 6 to 16 quarts, selling lower than ever. S. M. REYNOLDS.

A nice stock of French and English perfumery—Jasmine, Heliotrope, White Rose, Jockey Club, &c., at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE.

ROBELEN & BRO., of Wilmington, are selling Estey Organs at very liberal discounts. Also, some beautiful Organs of other makers at very low prices. Send for price lists.

MANIFESTS, for the shipment of peaches and other fruit, printed promptly and neatly at the TRANSCRIPT office.

Chamois skins for cleaning windows and carriages 20, 25, 30, and 40 cents at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE.

An elegant Two-Button Kid Glove for 90 cents cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

All sizes window glass at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE (Barr's old stand.)

Granulated Sugar 12 cents; A 11 cts, and B 10 cts, CASH, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

BILL HEADS, Shipping Tags, &c., can be had at the TRANSCRIPT office, at very low rates.

No. 1, 2, and 3 Mackerel in barrels, half barrels, and quarters; New Split Labrador Herring in barrels and half barrels, just received and for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

Beautiful 7⅓ octave PIANOS, Rosewood case with all improvements, for $240, warranted for five years, at ROBELEN & BRO'S, 710 Market Street, Wilmington, Del.

A choice Rio Coffee, green, 25 cents, roasted 30 cents, CASH, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

You can buy Organs for $40, $50, $75, $100 and beautiful Organs with 7 stops, for $110, at ROBELEN & BRO'S, 710 Market St., Wilmington, Del.

Job lot Ladies' Two-Button and Gauntlet Lisle Gloves, 12½ and 25 cents—worth 50 cts. S. M. REYNOLDS.

Ladies in need of a nice Silk Dress, call at S. M. REYNOLDS' and look at those Guinet Black Silks at $1.50 and $1.75 per yard, just received direct from the importers.

Ladies call at S. M. REYNOLDS' and look at the new assortment of Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, in all widths and prices from 10 cents and upwards.

ENVELOPES of all sizes, and letter heads with business cards, furnished, very cheap at the TRANSCRIPT office.

Clark's best Spool Cotton, 6 cents per Spool or 70 cents per dozen *Cash*, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

Ladies and Gents newest style Windsor Ties and Scarfs in all shades and widths from 20 cents to $1.00, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

A full line of heavy Merino Underwear for Ladies and Gentlemen, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

The best 12½ cent Hose in the market, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

1000 yards of the best Calicoes, selling off at 8 and 9 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

New Orleans and Porto Rico Molasses, Choice Sugar Loaf Drips and Sugar House Syrups, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

A good Black Tea for 50 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

Rumford's Yeast Powder the best in the market, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS'.

## MIDDLETOWN IRONFOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOP.

PLOWS and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order.

Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old Iron.

WM. L. BUCKE & SON,
Jan 4-tf Founders and Machinists.


**THE MARKETS.**

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY COX & JONES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat, new | $1.25@ 1.30 |
| Corn, yellow, | 68 cts. |
| Corn, White, | 68 cts. |
| Oats | 40@42 |
| Timothy Seed | 4 25 |
| Clover " | 5 75@6.00 |
| Beans | 75@90 |

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. M. REYNOLDS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Eggs | 25 cts. ₰ doz |
| Butter | 25@30cts. ₰ lb |
| Lard | 17@18 " " |
| Potatoes, new | 1.00 ₰ bus. |
| Spring Chickens, | 14@16 cts. ₰ lb. |
| Turkeys, dressed | 16@18 " |
| Geese, " | 7@8 " |
| Ducks, " | 14@15 " |

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

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|---|---|
| Prime red wheat | $1 25@1.35 ₰ bus. |
| Corn, yellow, old | 71@72 ₰ bus. |
| Oats (Pennsylvania) new | 45@50 cts. |
| Clover seed | 12½@14 ₰ lb. |
| Timothy | 3.25 |

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

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|---|---|
| Wheat, good to amber | 1.40@$1 50 |
| Corn, white | 75@79 |
| Corn, yellow | 73@73 |
| Oats, Southern | 40@50 cts. |
| Rye | 70@95 |


## Special Notices.

IT IS USELESS to attempt to cleanse a stream while the fountain is impure. Dyspepsia, complaints of the liver and kidneys, eruptions of the skin, scrofula, headaches, and all diseases arising from impure blood, are at once removed by Dr. Walker's CALIFORNIA VINEGAR BITTERS, the great and infallible purifier of the blood, and renovator of the system. It has never been known to fail, provided the patien had not delayed using it until the vitality of his system was too far gone.

All who want a good SEWING MACHINE and having the CASH to pay for it, will have inducements offered them at the Great Sewing Machine Depot of A. T. STOOPS, N. E. Cor. Fourth and Arch St., Phila., they can get at no other Sewing Machine place in this city. All kinds of needles, oil, silk, cotton, linen thread, &c., low for cash.

Old Machines taken in exchange, and parties allowed liberally for them.

## NEW STOVE AND TIN STORE

**In Middletown.**

## ELIASON & BENSON,

Manufacturers and Dealers in

## STOVES,

## HEATERS, RANGES, AND TIN WARE

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

We have in stock the most popular and best Parlor, Cook and Room Stove manufactured, among them may be found the Home Delight, Morning Light, Florentine, Tuscan, Bon Ton, Florence, Charm, Belle, Regulator, Centennial, Palace Cook, Golden Eagle, Eureka, Combination Cook, Wabash, Model Complete, Victor Cook, Pretty Range, Pet Range, and can furnish on short notice any other stove manufactured.

We invite special attention to the Regulator "Revolving Top" for convenience. Surpasses anything in the stove line ever offered in this market.

Stoves repaired on the shortest notice.

Roofing and spouting a specialty.

We hope by giving our personal attention to business, and making moderate charges to receive a share of the public patronage.

*Give us a call.* ELIASON & BENSON,
Middletown, Del.

## LUMBER AND HARDWARE.

## J. B. FENIMORE & CO.

OPPOSITE THE DEPOT,

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,

DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

**Lumber and Hardware,**

BRICKS, LIME, HIAR, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS

MOULDINGS, PAINTS, OILS,

GLASS, ETC. ETC.

Constantly on hand all kinds of

**Building Material.**

January 15—tf

## M. E. DICKSON,

No. 35½ SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,

PHILADELPHIA,

DEALER IN

WATCHES AND JEWELRY,

SOLID STERLING

**Silver and Plated Ware**

Suitable for Holiday Presents.

N. B.—Fine selection of 18 Kt. Wedding Rings on Hand.

Gold, Silver and Steel Spectacles to suit all ages. Dec. 10—tf

## THOMAS MASSEY, JR.

CLOCK AND WATCH MAKER,

Main Street, next door to National Hotel

**Middletown, Delaware**

CLOCKS, Watches, Jewelry, &c. neatly and promptly repared.

Always on hand and for sale, Clocks, Watches, Plated Ware, Forks, Spoons, Silver Napkin Rings, Silver Thimbles, Salt, Sugar and Tea Spoons, Butter Knives, Gold Breast-Pins, Ear-Rings, Finger-Rings, Sleeve Buttons, Watch Chains, Watch Keys, Key Rings, Steel Watch Chains, &c.

AGENT FOR

*DeVINNY'S SPECTACLES.*

Dec. 12—tf.

## NEW BAKERY AND CONFECTIONERY STORE.

THE undersigned gives notice to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he has taken the corner store formerly occupied by J. F. Eliason, and opened a Confectionery Store and

**Ice Cream Saloon.**

He will keep always on hand a fine supply of freshly baked BREAD and CAKES. Also Confectioneries, etc,

Ice Cream furnished at the most reasonable rates for parties, pic-nics, private families, etc.

**Call and See.**

May 29—tf F. TARONI.

## SEE HERE!!

**At Anderson's Drug Store,**

(BARR'S OLD STAND),

You can get XX SWISS LINIMENT, a sure cure for Frosted Feet, Lame Back, Rheumatism, Bunions, Neuralgia, Pains in the Head, Side or Joints, Sore throat, &c. Use it and suffer no longer.

**IT ACTS LIKE MAGIC.**

Taken inwardly it cures Diarrhœa, Dysentery, Cholera Morbus, cramps, &c.

All we ask for it is a fair trial. Sold only by ANDERSON, who keeps all the Patent Medicines of the day.

Sep 25—1y.

## Miscellaneous Advertisements.

228 **E. MOORE,** 228

MANUFACTURER OF

## FINE READY-MADE CLOTHING,

**For Men and Boys.**

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

***FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING***

ON HAND, MADE UP IN THE LATEST STYLE AND BEST MANNER. ALSO, A GREAT VARIETY OF

☞ *PIECE GOODS, FOR ORDER WORK.*

Apr 22—1y **228 MARKET ST. Wilmington, Del.**

## THE DELAWARE GRAIN AND PHOSPHATE DRILL,

Manufactured at the

## Delaware Agricultural Implement Factory

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

Is now offered to Farmers with the full assurance that it will give entire satisfaction, having been thoroughly tested and perfected during the past three years.

**IT IS DURABLE AND SIMPLE IN CONSTRUCTION.**

**Any boy can adjust it properly.**

**IT IS THE LIGHTEST DRAFT DRILL IN USE.**

It is acknowledged

**SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS**

**As a Phosphate Distributor.**

Sowing with accuracy Phosphates which other Drills cannot possibly sow

**IT IS A HOME DRILL,**

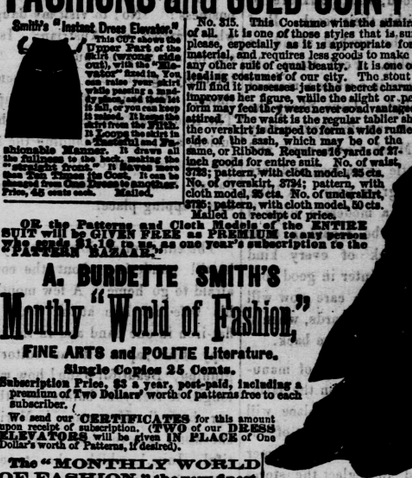
Any of its parts can be furnished upon the shortest notice.

We refer to the following gentlemen, who have tested it and pronounce it the best and cheapest drill to the farmer they have ever used or seen in use:

Gov. John P. Cochran, H. A. Nowland and Amos Lynch, of MIDDLETOWN; S. F. Shallcross, Daniel Corbit, J. K. Williams and William Vandyke, of ODESSA; Anthony M. Higgins of ST. GEORGES; Thomas F. Dilworth of PORT PENN, Delaware, and all other persons who have used it.

D. WOODALL & CO, Manufacturers.

## FASHIONS and GOLD COIN PRESENTS!



Smith's "Instant Dress Elevator."

This CUT shows the Upper Part of the Skirt (turned inside out), with the "Elevator" fixed in. You can take your dress while passing a muddy crossing, and not let it fall, or you can keep it raised. It keeps the skirt from the mud. It keeps the skirt in shape. It is worn in the fashionable Manner. It draws all the fullness to the back, making the graceful Sweep. It never runs down. It keeps its Clock. It can be adjusted from Opening to Length. Price, 45 cents each. Mailed.

No. 315. This Costume wins the admiration of all. It is one of those styles that is sure to please, especially as it is appropriate for any material, and requires less goods to make than any other suit of equal beauty. It is one of the leading costumes of our city. The stout lady will find it possesses just the secret charm that improves her figure, while the slight or perfect form may feel they were never so advantageously attired. The waist is the regular tabiler shape; the overskirt is draped to form a wide ruffle each side of the sash, which may be of the same, or Ribbon. Requires 16 yards of 27-inch goods for entire suit. No. of waist, 3733; pattern, with cloth model, 25 cts. No. of overskirt, 3794; pattern, with

# Agricultural.

## Work for the Month—October.

The garnering of perfected harvests and the committing of the seed for future ones to the bosom of the earth will keep the farmer busy enough the present month; but no stress of work ought to be considered as giving an excuse for hasty preparation or careless execution.

WHEAT.—All pains should be taken to push forward the seeding of this crop, in order that, if possible, the 15th may in this latitude, see the work fully accomplished. When this is not done the fall growth is not made which is necessary to the proper development of the plant to enable it to withstand the winter. Neither does it sufficiently tiller without it, nor gain strength to withstand the attacks of the fly.

But if the force of circumstances forbids early sowing, let nothing interfere with the thorough preparation of the ground. This is paramount in importance. A good dressing of some stimulating fertiliser is especially helpful in cases of late sowing, as the plants are enabled by its help to get a start, which is very advantageous.

In our pages for August and September, we have treated so fully upon wheat culture in all its bearings, that we deem it unnecessary to say more upon the subject than the hints given above.

LIVE STOCK.—*Fattening Hogs.*—Have their quarters so arranged that they may be dry and warm. Put muck and leaves or other absorbents in the bottom of their pens, and as soon as they are used up renew them. Feed them first with soft food like apples, pumpkins and roots, mixed if practicable with scalded meal and bran. Increase the quantity of meal gradually. Feed them soft corn as it is husked out. Put up your hogs as early as possible. They fatten quicker and thrive much better. Give at first occasional small doses of flour of sulphur, and keep ashes, rotten wood, and a mixture of lime and salt, within their reach. Beef Cattle ought to be pushed ahead as rapidly as possible. Feed them old corn meal and once in a while a mess of roots and pumpkins. Give Sheep the best pasturage you can afford when they are fattening. Milch Cows need and should have a little extra feed and care as the pastures grow poor. A little hay at night and a moderate mess of meal and bran will be repaid in their yield. Young Stock of every kind ought to begin the winter in good condition, and a little extra care now will prevent their going backwards, when it will be very hard to get them back.

MANURES.—Allow nothing of manurial value to go to waste on the farm. The refuse on and about a place will always more than repay the cost of collecting and compositing it. No farmer indeed can afford to neglect the stores of fertilising materials which are at hand, only waiting to be appropriated. These substances mixed with a fair addition of barn-yard manure, will, during a season, make a pile of compost which can scarcely fail to tell on the crops of the farm.

FALL PLOWING ought to be pushed ahead when practicable, always presuming that the soil is dry enough for the work. All lands, save those of very light texture, are generally considered to be improved by exposure to the influences of the winter weather; and another advantage is the great destruction it occasions of insects, &c.

BUCKWHEAT ought to be cut before touched by severe frosts. When the earliest seed are ripe is about the right time, and it should be put in small shocks and threshed out as soon as possible. The straw ought to be saved, as it is good forage for stock. A little salt is an improvement and aids in preserving it.

OLD ORCHARDS.—This is a good time to go over these and cut out dead branches; scrape the moss and lichens from the trunks, and whitewash the stems and main limbs. This process will destroy many insects and their eggs. The wash may have its brightness lessened by an addition of a little lampblack.

RUTA BAGAS, MANGELS, &c.—Gather these and store away before frosts injure. Of roots, the first named will stand out much longer than Beets or Carrots, and Parsnips may be allowed to remain all winter in the ground. In digging and hauling endeavor not to bruise the roots, as this induces rotting.

RYE.—This, too, ought to be in as soon as possible. It is far preferable, indeed, to sow in August or September; but careful preparation of the land, and some extra fertilizer, especially of a kind that contains considerable nitrogenous matter, may make up for the delay.

DRAINS AND DITCHES.—When the pressure of other work on the farm will permit, this is a good time to drain such lands as may need it. Be careful that water furrows are properly laid off in your grain fields and kept clear.

LIMING.—This may be attended to with advantage after plowing in the fall, and the crops the ensuing season will show the effects.

POTATOES should be dug as soon as practicable, after the vines are dead, but never except when the ground is dry.

PUMPKINS ought to be gathered and stored away in a dry cool place before hurt by frosts.

# Humorous.

A MINISTER WHO COULDN'T STAND THE TEST.—A well-known clergyman was crossing Lake Erie many years ago upon one of the Lake steamers, and, seeing a small lad at the wheel steering the boat, accosted him as follows:

"My son, you appear to be a small boy to steer so large a boat.'

'Yes, sir, but you see that I can do it, though.'

'Do you think you understand your business, my son?'

'Yes, sir, I think I do.'

'Can you box the compass?'

'Yes, sir'

"Let me hear you box it.'

Boy boxes the compass.

'Well, really you can do it! Let me hear you box it backward.'

Boy boxes it backward.

'I declare, my son, you do seem to understand your business.'

The boy now took his turn question-asking.

'Pray, sir, what may be your business?'

'I am a minister of the Gospel.'

'Do you understand your business?'

'I think I do, my son.'

'Can you say the Lord's Prayer?'

'Yes.'

'Say it.'

Clergyman repeats the Lord's Prayer.

'Well, really, you do know it! Now say it backward.'

Clergyman says he cannot do it.

'You cannot do it, eh? Now you see I understand my business a great deal better than you do yours.'

Clergyman acknowledges himself beaten and retired.

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Archduke Maximilian, of Bavaria, went recently to Vienna to visit his daughter, the Empress of Austria. He always travels quietly, and was mistaken for a business man by a talkative Austrian tradesman who occupied the same compartment in the train, and who, after telling all about his own affairs, asked the Archduke where he was going. 'Going to Vienna.' 'On business?' 'No; to visit my daughter, who married an Austrian.' 'Is your son-in-law in good business?' 'Well, tolerably good, but troublesome at times.' 'What is he?' 'The Emperor.' The tradesman was covered with confusion, and, notwithstanding the laughing protestations of the Archduke, he darted from the carriage at the very first stopping place.

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The editor of an down country paper is still wandering about the country, afraid to go home. A few months ago his wife met him at the door with a flat-iron in one hand and in the other a copy of his paper with an editorial beginning, 'Beautiful June! how we have longed to feel your balmy breath upon our brow." Her name is Maria, and she won't believe that he wrote 'beautiful June,' which the type-setter changed to Jane.

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A gallant youth escorted a young damsel home the other evening, and as they strolled along he observed a snowy garment trailing after his fair companion. With an innocent air, the wretch purposely stepped on the object and it fell to the ground in all its entierety. The young lady was unabashed, and bundling the skirt up she made her escort carry it home.

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The Duke of Wellington, when premier, was the terror of the idlers in Downing street. On one occasion, when treasury clerks told him that some required mode of making up the accounts was impracticable, they were met with the curt reply, 'Never mind; if you can't do it, I'll send you half a dozen pay-sergeants that will'—a hint that they did not fail to take.

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'Pa, what does 'a chip of the old block' mean?' 'Why do you ask, my son?' 'Because, when I was coming home from school, I saw three squirrels up a tree, and said there was a dozen; and some men who were there said I was a chip of the old block.' 'Hem! Well, they meant that you were sharp and honest, like your pa. You can go play now.'

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'How are you getting on at your new place?' said a lady to a girl whom she had recommended to a situation. 'Very well, thank you,' answered the girl. 'I am glad to hear it,' said the lady. Your employer is a nice person, and you cannot do too much for her.' 'I don't mean to, ma'am,' was the innocent reply.

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A South Boston lady was recently interrogated by a Benedict as to why she did not get married. She replied: 'I prefer to be an old maid.' He said he did not believe it, as he felt sure she envied his wife. 'Oh, no! that would be breaking the commandment—Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's ass.' The subject dropped.

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'Lemme die, now, gasped an Ohio farmer: 'I've lived to see a womsn get thirty-one yaads of cloth into one dress, and I am ready to pull up stakes now.'

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A recent lecturer on temperance advises all men to "know themselves.'—That's advising good many to form very and disreputable acquaintance.

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If young ladies wish to get stout they should eat their food slowly. Haste does not make waist in such cases.

# Time Tables.

*PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON AND BALTIMORE RAILROAD.*

## Delaware Division Time Table.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Monday, MAY 31st, 1875, (Sundays excepted,) Trains will leave as follows:

| SOUTHWARD. Passenger. A. M. | P. M. | A. M. | | NORTHWARD. Passenger. A. M. | P. M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 00 | 5 15 | | Baltimore | 1 15 | 8 15 |
| 7 00 | 2 45 | | Philadelphia | 9 20 | 5 35 |
| 9 25 | 6 40 | 5 00 | Wilmington | 8 06 | 4 10 |
| 9 25 | 6 48 | | Del. Junction | 7 58 | 4 03 |
| 9 46 | 7 00 | 5 25 | New Castle | 7 47 | 3 53 |
| 9 48 | 7 05 | | State Road | 7 39 | 3 45 |
| 9 56 | 7 13 | | Bear | 7 36 | 3 42 |
| 9 59 | 7 16 | | Rodney | 7 28 | 3 35 |
| 10 06 | 7 25 | 5 56 | Kirkwood | 7 25 | 3 32 |
| 10 18 | 7 35 | 6 10 | Mt. Pleasant | 7 14 | 3 22 |
| 10 23 | 7 55 | 6 28 | Middletown | 7 04 | 3 14 |
| 10 42 | 8 05 | 6 45 | Townsend | 6 45 | 2 57 |
| 10 47 | 8 11 | 6 52 | Blackbird | 6 38 | 2 49 |
| 10 53 | 8 29 | 7 04 | Green Spring | 6 36 | 2 42 |
| 11 01 | 8 25 | 7 16 | Clayton | 6 25 | 2 37 |
| 11 19 | 8 41 | | Smyrna | 6 05 | 2 20 |
| 11 07 | 5 31 | 7 24 | Brenford | 6 16 | 2 19 |
| 11 12 | 8 38 | 7 36 | Moorton | 6 10 | 2 13 |
| 11 23 | 8 50 | 7 55 | Dover | 6 00 | 2 02 |
| 11 30 | 8 58 | 8 05 | Wyoming | 5 50 | 1 54 |
| 11 38 | 9 06 | | Woodside | 5 42 | 1 46 |
| 11 43 | 9 11 | | Canterbury | 5 37 | 1 41 |
| 11 49 | 9 17 | 8 30 | Felton | 5 32 | 1 35 |
| 12 04 | 9 33 | 8 52 | Harrington | 5 20 | 1 23 |
| 12 12 | | 9 04 | Farmington | | 1 10 |
| 12 21 | | 9 18 | Greenwood | | 12 59 |
| 12 31 | | 9 33 | Bridgeville | | 12 48 |
| 12 53 | | 9 58 | Seaford | | 12 31 |
| 1 07 | | 10 20 | Laurel | | 12 15 |
| 1 20 | | 10 40 | Delmar | | 12 00 |

The mixed train will be run subject to delays incident to freight business, and will stop only at stations where time is given.

*New Castle Trains*—Leave New Castle for Wilmington and Philadelphia at 12 05 and 6 30 p m. Leave Wilmington 6 20 a m, and 1 25 p m for New Castle.

*Smyrna Branch Trains*—Additional to those above leave Smyrna for Clayton 10 30 a m 6 30 and 8 00 p m. Leave Clayton for Smyrna 7 20 a m 2 40 and 7 00 p m, to make connection with trains (North and South) from Clayton.

CONNECTIONS:

At Townsend, with Queen Anne's and Kent Rail Road. At Clayton, with Maryland and Delaware Rail Road. At Harrington, with Junction and Breakwater Rail Road. At Seaford, with Dorchester and Delaware Rail Road. At Delmar, with Eastern Shore Rail Road, and Wicomico and Pocomoke Rail Road.

Jun 5–tf H. F. KENNEY, Sup't.

## WILMINGTON AND READING RAILROAD.

*SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.*

ON AND AFTER

**Thursday, June 10, 1875,**

Trains will run as follows:

| Going Northward. No. 3. P. M. | No. 1. A. M. | STATIONS. | Going Southward. No. 2. A. M. | No. 4. P. M. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 35 | 6 25 | Wilmington, | 10 12 | 8 20 |
| 5 21 | 7 12 | Chaddsford, | 9 24 | 7 34 |
| 6 30 | 8 20 | Coatesville, | 8 25 | 6 35 |
| 7 32 | 9 26 | Springfield, | 7 12 | 5 25 |
| 8 09 | 10 08 | Birdsboro', | 6 34 | 4 49 |
| 8 42 | 10 42 | Reading, | 6 00 | 4 15 |

CONNECTIONS.

At Wilmington, with trains on Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore, and Delaware Railroads; at Chaddsford, with trains on Philadelphia & Baltimore Central Railroad; at Coatesville, with trains on Pennsylvania Railroad, and at Reading, with trains on Philadelphia & Reading, Lebanon Valley, East Pennsylvania, and Reading & Columbia R. R., and the Reading and Lehigh Railroad.

E. COLLINGS,
Feb 20–tf. General Superintendent.

## CHANGE OF HOURS.

1875. 1875.

Daily Line to Philadelphia.

On and after

MONDAY, AUGUST 30th, 1875,

**Steamer "Major Reybold,"**

Capt. Philip Reybold, will leave Salem, N. J., daily, (except Sunday,) at 7 A. M. Returning, leave Pier foot of Arch street, Philadelphia, at 2 P. M. Landing each way at Delaware City, New Castle, Pennsgrove and Chester.

Stages for St. George's, McDonough and Odessa, Del., connect at Delaware City.

Stage for Sharptown and Woodstown, N. J., connect at Pennsgrove.

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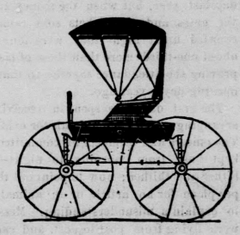

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